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On My Way Pre-K Pilot Information and Question Session

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Agenda

- ▶ Share questions from survey
- ▶ Share some draft guidance regarding using funds
- ▶ Share possible scenarios on how to use Title I and Pre K Pilot funds
- ▶ Take ideas from attendees on scenarios
- ▶ Questions



A Funding Continuum

Title I Funded
Preschool
Programs

How and to what
extend can funds
be used together
to support a high
quality preschool
program for
Indiana students?

Non-Title I Funded
Preschool
Programs (Pre K
Pilot)



Questions from Survey

- ▶ How we would shift from a fully-funded program to benefit from the On My Way Pre-K funds?
- ▶ How we would go about becoming PTQ certified with several existing barriers for our Title I Pre-K program?
- ▶ How would participation in On My Way Pre-K impact our current program?
- ▶ How can the On My Way Pre-K funds support current offerings in school wide Title I buildings? TAS buildings?
- ▶ Constraints? Allowable? - We anticipate blending funding using both Title I and On My Way Pre-K Dollars. E.G. If we have 10 spots in a Title I classroom for Title I kids - and 10 spots for Pilot kids. Funding would be split 50/50.



How can On My Way Pre-K Funds be used in conjunction with Title I?

- ▶ **USED Non-Regulatory Guidance – F-3**
- ▶ In addition to supporting preschool children participating in a Title I preschool program, **an LEA or school may use Title I funds to complement or extend** Head Start programs, Child Care, State-funded preschool programs (e.g., *On My Way Pre-K*), or other community-based early learning programs for at-risk children.



How can On My Way Pre-K Funds be used in conjunction with Title I?

- ▶ Reminder – ALL Title I requirements apply to the use of Title I funds.
- ▶ Eligibility for *Pre K Pilot funding* is based on the income levels of parents. Children eligible for Title I might not qualify for *Pre K Pilot funding* under the income requirement.
- ▶ If they do not, Title I funds may be used to provide services to Title I-eligible children who are not eligible for *Pre K Pilot* services.



How can On My Way Pre-K Funds be used in conjunction with Title I?

- ▶ *Pre K Pilot Program* might be unable to serve all eligible children. Title I funds may be used to serve children who are eligible for but not served by *Pre K Pilot funding*, and are ALSO eligible for Title I.
- ▶ Note that some *Pre K Pilot*-eligible children might not be eligible for Title I because they are not most at risk of failing to meet the State's standards



Serving Eligible Students

Title I	Pre K Pilot Funding
A	B
B	C
C	H
D	I

Title I funds can be used to serve eligible students. If some students are also eligible for On My Way Pre-K Funding, the LEA or school could opt for:

- Extending the daily program for an additional amount time
- Increasing the number of days in the program
- Increasing the quality of the program
- Providing services at times *Pre K Pilot program* is not operating
- Enriching services through the provision of extra personnel to work with Title I-eligible children.
- Additional seats for students

How can On My Way Pre-K Funds be used in conjunction with Title I?

- ▶ Title I funds may provide educational services for children who are eligible for both Title I and *Pre K Pilot funding*, with *Pre K Pilot* funds providing other services.
- ▶ Title I funds may supplement or expand existing early learning programs, including State-funded preschool (i.e., *Pre K Pilot funding*), Child Care, and community-based early learning programs for children who are also eligible for Title I services.



How can On My Way Pre-K Funds be used in conjunction with Title I?

- ▶ Pre K Pilot funding is considered “last dollar in”
 - ▶ Example, if Title I pays for first half of day, the grant could pay for second half.
- ▶ Districts must show that the Pre K Pilot funding is supplemental to the Title I funds.



May an LEA use Title I funds to expand or enhance other existing public preschool programs?

▶ **USED Non-regulatory Guidance – G-5**

- ▶ **Yes.** Consistent with ESEA section 1112(b)(1)(K), an LEA may use Title I funds to support existing preschool programs, such as Head Start or other comparable publicly funded preschool programs.
- ▶ *However*, if Title I funds are used to expand or enhance an existing public preschool program, that program is then considered to be a Title I program, and all Title I requirements apply, including SEA and LEA oversight of the program and the requirements with respect to eligible children.



Would there be any issue of supplanting when On My Way Pre-K funding ends and we seek to use Title I funds to fully fund Pre-K again?

- ▶ **No, if the district can:**
 - ▶ Show program cannot continue without Title I support, not supplanting.
 - ▶ Show the need for the program.



Possible Scenarios of using On My Way Pre-K Funding

- ▶ Providing Pre K Pilot funding in non-Title schools
- ▶ Braiding Pre K Pilot funds and Title I funds in same school
- ▶ Moving from funding with Title I to Pre K Pilot funding
- ▶ Expanding number of classrooms for Pre K
- ▶ Providing professional development or facility updates
- ▶ Supporting additional staff, especially support staff
- ▶ Extending the daily program for an additional amount time
- ▶ Increasing the number of days in the program
- ▶ Increasing the quality of the program
- ▶ Providing services at times Pre K Pilot *or Title I* is not operating
- ▶ Enriching services through the provision of extra personnel to work with Title I-eligible children.



**What other possible scenarios do
you envision happening in your
districts?**



Questions?



Next Steps

- ▶ IDOE has updated preschool guidance
- ▶ IDOE is finalizing guidance specific to On My Way Pre-K funding, based on input from stakeholder groups
- ▶ On My Way Pre-K and Title I funding guidance should be out by Thanksgiving



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